



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION IX

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San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

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Ms. Debra Ramirez
Chairperson
Redwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California
3250 Road I
Redwood, California 95470

RE: Updated Funding Amount for U.S. EPA Indian Environmental General Assistance
Program (GAP)
GA-00T45901-2
Application Due: MAY 5 2015

Dear Ms. Ramirez:

On March 31, 2015, I tentatively approved \$125,187 of funding to support your General Assistance Program for one year. I am pleased to inform that I am tentatively approving an additional \$3,400, to your GAP funding. The total tentative amount for your GAP is \$128,587. Please ensure this amount is reflected in your final budget application.

Please contact your GAP Project Officer, Morena Villanueva, at (415) 947-4239 if you have questions regarding this letter and the General Assistance Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Laura M. Ebbert".

Laura M. Ebbert
Manager
Tribal Section

Enclosure
Guidance Letter dated March 31, 2015

cc: Steve Nevarez, Environmental Coordinator



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RE: U.S. EPA Indian Environmental General Assistance Program
GA-00T45901-2
Application due: MAY 05 2015

Dear Chairperson Ms. Ramirez:

I am pleased to inform you that your proposal submitted to this office under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Indian Environmental General Assistance Program (GAP) has been tentatively approved for funding. At this time I am setting aside \$116,200 of funding to support your Environmental General Assistance Program for one year. An additional \$8,987 has been tentatively set aside for supplemental activities as follows: \$7,987, for permanent increase to base for raises for the Environmental Coordinator and Environmental Assistant and \$1,000 for disposal fees for one community cleanup, which includes outreach and education. The total tentative award for your GAP is \$125,187.

Work plan submission, negotiation, and approval will be conducted electronically in GAP Online. The comments attached here for your reference are also available in GAP Online. If we receive your complete application and an **approvable** revised work plan by the due date we will make every effort to award the grant by September 30, 2015. This funding will support work plan activities **from October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016**. Please do not incur any costs under this work plan until the official grant award document has been signed and dated by the EPA Award Official. Any costs incurred before the date of award will not be reimbursed.

This letter does not constitute a grant award. In order to receive funding, the Redwood Valley Rancheria will need to complete an Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424). **The complete application, including an approvable work plan, must be submitted for EPA review by the due date indicated above.** Materials can be submitted earlier and will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Please note that in completing your application, you will need to enter the GAP Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number (CFDA), required in box #11 on the SF-424A application form, 66.926.

New Process for Submitting Your GAP Grant Application

Effective February 17, 2015, EPA grant applicants **must** use Grants.gov to submit their applications. The Grants.gov registration process can take up to 30 days to complete. Therefore, it is highly recommended that EPA applicants complete their registration on Grants.gov now. Also, your organization's registration in

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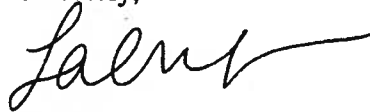
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SAM.gov must be active to utilize Grants.gov. If it appears that the grants.gov registration process may prevent you from submitting your application by the due date aforementioned, then please contact Support@grants.gov or call 1-800-518-4726 as support is available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. You should also notify your Project Officer before the application due date to request an extension.

Please review both Attachment 2 (Grants.gov Instructions Guide) and Attachment 3 (Region 9 Guidance Information for Applicants) or go to <http://www.epa.gov/region9/funding/information.html> to find additional resources on Grants.gov, Federal Regulations, and new EPA requirements. We suggest you forward these materials to your Project Manager, Financial Officer and any other personnel in your organization requiring this information.

I look forward to working with you and your staff under the General Assistance Program. Questions regarding the completion of the application forms as well as the mandatory use of grants.gov should be referred to Veronica Adams, Grants Management Specialist at (415) 972-3183. You can also contact your GAP Project Officer, Morena Villanueva at (415) 947-4239, if you have questions regarding this letter, the work plan or the General Assistance Program.

Sincerely,



Laura M. Ebbert
Manager
Tribal Section

Enclosures

1. Work Plan Comments
2. Grants.gov Instructions Guide
3. Region 9 Guidance Information for Applicants

cc: Mr. Steve Nevarez, Environmental Director (w/work plan comments)
Ms. Mary Camp, Tribal Administrator

